

Communication and Language

We will continue to listen to and follow stories daily, anticipating key events and answering 'how' and 'why' questions. The children will develop following instructions which involve several actions and extend their own narratives. We will focus on using past, present and future forms accurately.

English

In English, we will be focusing our learning around the story 'Supertato'. The children will use this to create a new superhero vegetable and wanted posters. We will move onto receiving letters from Evil Mr Freeze where we will complete various challenges to support our phonics and letter formation. We will finish by writing about our own superpowers.

In Phonics, we will recap our Phase 2 and 3 sounds regularly, as well as beginning Phase 4. We will learn new consonant clusters and use these to read and write simple words and sentences independently.

Understanding the World

We will learn about real-life superheroes such as Florence Nightingale, The King and our family members. As a class, we will create an eco-superhero and carry out experiments to test the properties of different items. Using maps and Beebots, we will guide the superheroes to incidents in the classroom.

Physical Development

We will be continuing to concentrate on forming letters correctly and develop using tools such as scissors with good control.

PE will take place outdoors on Tuesdays, weather permitting. We will practise events for sports day and create our own obstacles courses. We will also be Swimming on Fridays!

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Our Hampton Dene Discoverers focus for this term is 'Imagination'. The children will continue to develop their confidence when speaking in a group and talking about their ideas. We will continue taking turns, playing cooperatively and talking about our emotions.

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Our topic in Ladybird Class this half term is **'Superheroes Assemble'**.

The children's interests will continually be used to inform the direction which our topic takes.



Maths

To start, we will learn about doubling and halving. We will understand how doubling is twice as many and explore halving by sharing items into equal groups. We will also look at numerical patterns through odds and evens, and grouping numbers.

We will develop our problem solving and spatial reasoning skills to match, visualise and build different models. We will refer to positional language throughout.

Expressive Arts and Design

The children will use a range of materials to design and create traps to catch Evil Pea in the classroom. We will make superhero masks, superhero dens, superhero stick puppets and print with different vegetables. Using instruments, we will explore making sounds in various environments and practise repeating rhythms. We will also make superhero smoothies using a range of fruit and taste these!

How you can help

Please continue to read regularly with your child and write a comment in their log. Encourage your child to recognise tricky words in the story and re-cap our sounds. Practise counting, recognising and ordering numbers to 20. Start from different numbers, counting forwards and backwards.

Thank you.